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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated November 14, 2007, concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicants have enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time with the appropriate fee to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows.